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Dr. Joshua Lederberg  
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Dear Dr. Lederberg:

Despite all your help and the help and interest of Hotchkiss and Beadle, it seems exceedingly unlikely that I will be able to get a significant program in Orthobiosis going here at Oak Ridge. The AEC money situation no doubt plays a significant role and the Lab has been burned to a degree when using interagency contractual funds. Paradoxically, however, this place does not work like I would have anticipated. Administratively, they seem to prefer to get funds for some program thought up outside the Laboratory per se, then assign various facets to people or groups already here. I have talked to several people in the NIH and they feel I should not have a problem in getting funds were I associated with a University, preferably a Medical School. It has the added advantage that I could then talk directly with the people in Washington rather than having professional administrators, who do not know much about the problem, carry the ball. I am hoping that you might know of some place particularly interested.

Hopefully this week we should learn something from Cologne. Terheggen has moved to another hospital in Cologne but I gather from his Belgian associates that this should not create any difficulty.

I just learned a surprising thing. Highly purified papilloma virus that has been through the zonal centrifuge in cesium chloride has arginase activity. I ran into it years ago but the preparations were less pure and I dismissed it as a contaminant from the extracted cells.

Best regards,

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be 'SR' or 'Stanfield Rogers' in a stylized, cursive script.

Stanfield Rogers  
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